the Government be pleased to place a copy of that statement on the table of the House;

(f) how many petitions alleging torture, intimidation and false reports have baen received by (1) the Diwan and (2) by the Commissioner of Police, against the Head Constable Poulose after he has become the Head Constable (say for the last two years);

(g) is not the said Head Constable Poulose a native of Travancore ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) Yes, before the Kanayannur Magistrate's Court.

(b) Once.

(c) Copy is appended. (*Appendix IV*)

(d) No.

(e) These are confidential matters and cannot be divulged

(f) (1) One by the Diwan.

(2) Three by the Commissioner of Police.

(g) Yes.

Promotion—Police Department.

682. Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—With reference to question No. 60 answered in the Legislative Session of 1107, will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the three senior officers, referred to in the answer to the question (Messrs. A. T. Thomas, V. V. Sebastian and K. Govindan Nayar—Police Inspectors) were ever since their appointment in the Police Department, always or almost always and continuously or almost continuously, in charge of Police Stations as Sub-Inspectors or Inspectors and were all along in charge of investigations as well as of prosecution ;

(b) whether as Sub-Inspectors or Inspectors they have not been in charge of prosecution of almost all second class cases and some first class and register cases of their respective sub-divisions ;

(c) whether there has been any occassion to find fault with the conduct of prosecution by any of the above officers; if so when, by whom and in which cases ;

(d) the number of cases in which the prosecution has been conducted by each of the said officers during the last five years with the percentage of conviction in the case of each of the said officers ;

(e) the total number of cases in which the prosecution has been conducted by Mr. P. V. Raman Menon (i) as Prosecuting Inspector (ii) as officer in charge of Police Station during the last ten years (or during his whole service, if information is available);

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(f) the total number of cases in (e) above in which the prosecution has been from start to finish conducted by Mr. P. V. Raman Menon;

(g) whether it is not the policy in the Police Department that whenever short vacancies in higher offices occur, Station-house officers will not he disturbed as far as possible; and whether it is not in pursuance of this policy that Mr. P. V. Raman Menon was appointed as Prosecuting Inspector;

(h) how long, in which years and for what periods continuously Mr. P. V. Raman Menon has been Station-house officer;

(i) whether every time Mr. P. V. Raman Menon was appointed Prosecuting Inspector, the position from which he was disturbed was not that of camp-clerk (Office Sub-Inspector or Office Inspector) in the Police Department;

(j) whether there was any occasion on which Mr. P. V. Raman Menon was raised as Prosecuting Inspector when he was in charge of a station; if so, when;

(k) whether Messrs. A. T. Thomas, V. V. Sebastian and K. Govindan Nayar have at any time acted as Division Inspectors; if so when and for how long;

(l) what is the total number and the amount of rewards made to the officers mentioned in (k) above and to Mr. P. V. Raman Menon for clever investigation, detection, successful prosecution and good work;

(m) whether all second class cases are not generally conducted by the Station-staff without the help of the Prosecuting Inspector;

(n) whether the passing of the Criminal Judicial Test is compulsory in the case of Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors;

(o) whether any of the present Inspectors have been exempted from the requirement referred to in (n); whether Messrs. A. T. Thomas, V. V. Sebastian and K. Govindan Nayar are not among the exempted;

(p) whether Inspectors of Police who have passed the Sub-Inspector's test are exempted from passing the Criminal Judicial Test.

(q) (i) whether all those, who have worked as Prosecuting Inspectors during the last five years, have passed the Criminal Judicial Test;

(ii) if not, has any one, without the qualification, so worked;

(iii) who all have so worked and for how long;

(iv) had not Mr. P. V. Raman Menon been possessed of the said qualification during that or portion of that period?

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Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) They were in charge of Police Stations, but not in charge of prosecution all along.

(b) They have been in charge of the prosecution of cases in the investigation of which they have not taken any part.

(c) No.

(d), (e) and (f) The collection of statistics involves much time and labour, which Government do not think it worth-while to do in public interests.

(g) Yes; it is the policy of the Department. This was one of the considerations for the appointment of Mr. Raman Menon.

(h) 6 days from 28th Kumbham 1096 to 3rd Meenam 1096.

(i) Yes.

(j) No.

(k) Mr. Sebastian acted as Division Inspector for three months about 20 years ago.

(l) The figures for the last five years are given below.

Mr. A. T. Thomas Rs. 12 on two occasions.
Mr. V. V. Sebastian Rs. 105 on five occasions.
Mr. K. Govindan Nayar Rs. 105 on four occasions.
Mr. P. V. Raman Menon Nil.

(m) Yes, all simple cases.

(n) Yes

(o) Yes

(p) No

(q) (i) No.

(ii) Yes.

(iii) Messrs. V. A. Pascal, A. L. Devassi and M. Balakrishna Menon, of whom the last two are Law Graduates.

Mr. Pascal was Prosecuting Inspector for about 18 years. Messrs. Devassi and Balakrishna Menon were appointed as Prosecuting Inspectors in 1106.

(iv) Yes, at the time when Messrs. Devassi aud Balakrishna Menon were appointed.

Maharaja's College, Ernakulam.

683. Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether they have compared the floor area available in the Ernakulam College for College purposes with such area in other institutions affiliated to the Madras University, with particular reference to the restriction on admission of students ;

(b) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table a comparative statement showing the floor area available for different purposes in the Ernakulam College, and such area for such purposes in

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